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| | DEVICE HAVING DISPLAY-COVER |
| | SERVING AS PART OF STAND AND NOT |
| | REMOVED FROM MAIN BODY |

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ABSTRACT

There is provided an exterior structure which can enhance operability of display devices, reduce the number of parts, shorten time for assembly of products, and improve its productivity, and yet which allows reduction in cost, reduction in weight of products, and moreover which can prevent loss of a display-section cover and the like. A display section is present on a first surface of a main body, and a displaysection cover is provided on a second surface adjacent to the first surface. The display-section cover is made up of a generally rectangular hinge plate attached in a hinge fashion with one edge of the hinge plate parallel to the first surface, and a display lid having such a shape as to be able to cover a display section of the first surface and being attached in a hinge fashion to the other edge of the hinge plate opposite to the one edge. A support plate is attached in a hinge fashion with one edge thereof parallel to the second surface to a third surface of the main body opposite to the first surface. The display lid is provided with slots capable of captively holding the support plate.

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